

WYHA Board Meeting Minutes 1/5/09

Present: All members present with exception of J Buan, R Fiemann, and B Orke.

Secretary's Report – Motion to approve 12/08 minutes Jim S. Second Alex B.

President's Report – Greg Gibson: No items to report.

Administration – Paul Hahn: No agenda items. Four board positions open for election in 2009; cards will be mailed and candidate bios will be available well in advance of April general meeting. Ron F will not be seeking re-election. Fee structures for 2009-10 will need approval in April; hourly ice increasing to \$180/hour which will impact fees for non-travel and costs for all.

Registrar-Mark Sivets: 1152 rostered youth hockey players for 2008-09 season. 471 mites; 681 travel.

Treasurer's Report – Bob Vold: YTD operating statement distributed; financial shape is good. Cost benefit discussion of CMS bubble; WYHA commits \$90,000 annually for the dryland facility operational costs, however, team utilization is very low. Five years remain for financial commitment. Board recommends review of original agreement; dialog with other sport associations utilizing; and input from Player Development. Board will revisit once additional input obtained and make recommendation.

Girls Program – Derek Gullett: No agenda items. Excellent mid season coach surveys, particularly for U12A and U14 teams.

BlueLine – Brenda Senden: Seventy-five sponsors; \$30,000 profit. Newsletter in process and will be on website with email blast/link. Fewer volunteer hours needed for tournaments due to new tournament registration fees that include team gate fees. Positive feedback from attendees to these tournaments. Wayzata hockey stickers and hitches will be sold due to requests from membership; info will be distributed at next team rep meeting.

District 3 – Alex Becker: December D3 minutes reviewed; noted penalties decreasing with exception of checking from behind. Coaches to be addressing. Blake affiliation will expire this year; may look to associations for sponsorships. List of coaches without CEP distributed; approximately twelve of the 300+ WYHA coaches are non compliant and will be removed from rosters; coach names without appropriate level CEP will be sent to tournament directors. Reminder only rostered coaches and players are allowed on ice.

Mites Program – Chad Nelson: No agenda items. Mite Madness planning in final stages. This year's skills sessions have been very effective and have been a great improvement over skill sessions in years past.

C-League – Steve LaRose: No agenda items. Spots open for C Tournaments at Bantam and Pee wee levels; Alex B will communicate at January D3 meeting to seek teams for open spots.

Boy's Travel – Jim Smith: No agenda items. Coach Committee has been restructured and is running well. Player Development has reduced summer clinics to one session each at Squirt, Pee wee and Bantam level due to financial loss last year. Game misconduct communication process discussed; misconducts/suspensions need to be communicated to appropriate level coordinators.

Tournaments – Brad Langfus: No agenda items.

Motion to adjourn at 8:10pm, Jim S. Second Alex B.

Next meeting Monday 2/2/2009 7:00pm at PIC

2009 Meetings: 3/2, 4/6, 5/4, 6/1, 7/13, 8/3, 9/14, 10/5, 11/2, 12/7